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Please find attached re:

Inventor: Lawrence N. Chapman, et al.

Serial No.: 09/726,367

Filed: November 29, 2000

For: BACKWARDS COMPATIBLE EAL-TIME PROGRAM GUIDE CAPACITY INCREASE

- > Amendment Transmittal
- > Response to PTO communication of January 11, 2005

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PATENT
Docket No. PD-990258
CUSTOMER NO.: 020881

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Lawrence N. Chapman, et al.
Serial No. 09/726,367
Filed: November 29, 2000
For: BACKWARDS COMPATIBLE REAL-TIME PROGRAM
GUIDE CAPACITY INCREASE

Date: April 4, 2005
Group Art Unit: 2614
Examiner: Johnny Ma

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ _____

An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated January 11, 2005. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

☒ The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED									
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT			HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	33	minus	33*	=	0	x	\$ 50.00	\$	-0-
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	minus	4**	=	0	x	\$ 200.00	\$	-0-
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	+	\$ 360.00	\$	-0-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:								\$	-0-

Charge \$ -0- to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (formally Hughes Electronics Corporation), El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.


Respectfully submitted,


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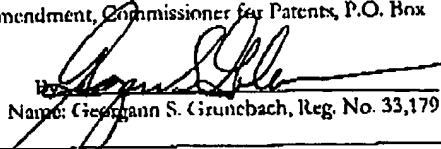
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Lawrence N. Chapman et al.	Examiner:	Johnny Ma
Serial No.:	09/726,367	Group Art Unit:	2614
Filed:	November 29, 2000	Docket No.:	PD-990258
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.